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LOUISVILLE MAN INDICTED FOR DISTRIBUTION OF CRACK COCAINE AND POSSESSION OF A .40 CALIBER PISTOL

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that on December 5, 2006, a federal Grand Jury in Louisville, Kentucky, **returned an Indictment** charging **KRISTOPHER RANDLE**, age 32, of 6210 Jeffrey Drive, Louisville, Kentucky, with possession of more than 5 grams of crack cocaine for the purpose of distribution and with possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug-trafficking crime.

The Indictment charges that on August 2, 2006, **Randle** possessed more than 5 grams of crack cocaine, which has an estimated street value of approximately \$3,800, with the intent of distributing it. The Indictment also charges that he possessed a .40 caliber pistol with ammunition in furtherance of his drug-trafficking.

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are life imprisonment, a \$4,250,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of not less than 8 years. The charges also carry a minimum penalty of at least ten years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John E. Kuhn, Jr., and it was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Randle is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on

December 12, 2006, at 9:15 a.m., in Louisville,, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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